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1. EconOff delivered reftel talking points to Dr. Milos Komac, State Undersecretary in the Scientific Office at the Ministry of Higher Education and Science. Komac is Post's chief contact on issues related to ITER. Komac mentioned during the demarche that Slovenia is very interested in participating in the ITER project and stated that Slovenia would prefer the Cadarache solution as it would be easier for Slovenia to contribute. Several times during the demarche, Komac commented that Slovenia's participation in ITER would be 'negligible' even if Cadarache were selected. However, he did note that he would like to see Slovenia take as active a role as possible in ITER stating that he felt it was 'important for the country'.

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